

The Weekly Ledger

R. H. WHITE, Editor and Proprietor

Last Saturday night Judge William H. Wallace, of Kansas City, delivered a fine address at the Court House to a splendid audience of Democrats. The meeting was called to order by Dr. E. S. Carr, chairman of the Audrain County Democratic Central Committee, who introduced S. D. Stocks, of Mexico, who made a short, but appropriate speech in presenting Judge Wallace, the speaker of the evening. There is no trouble to tell just where Judge Wallace stands on the leading issues of the day. He takes the position that while economic questions are of the utmost importance, that in his opinion there are two great moral issues, which attract more attention throughout the world, namely, the Sunday laws and the liquor laws. Judge Wallace stands for the prohibition of the saloons and the strict enforcement of the Sunday laws. The Judge made a convincing argument in favor of both of these propositions; and his address had not only the closest attention of one of the largest audiences ever gathered in the Court House, but had the cordial approval of nine-tenths of those present. Judge Wallace was very much pleased with his reception in Mexico, and received much encouragement from friends throughout the city and county, who volunteered their support in his candidacy for Governor. His address is one that should be listened to by every citizen in the State, as it is calculated to encourage those who stand for the enforcement of law, and is especially important where communities are standing for the observance of the Sabbath, and are fighting against the domination of the saloon influence.

STATEMEN, politicians and quidnuncs are looking forward with no little interest to the address in Washington of President Roosevelt's "own special congress," as the assembly of Governors and other distinguished men, invited here for the 13th, 14th and 15th of May, is called. President Roosevelt has indicated five men whom he considers, it is said, the greatest Americans of the day and they all happen to be Democrats. He has invited Andrew Carnegie, William Jennings Bryan, J. H. Hill, John Mitchell and Grover Cleveland to meet the Governors of the States in conference at the White House. The main question to be discussed is the conservation of our natural resources, an immensely big subject. It will not be possible, however, to prevent these gentlemen from talking about other things.

MISS BELLE KEARNEY, of Mississippi, a lecturer and writer of much prominence, and one who has traveled extensively, will lecture in the cause of local-option in this city Thursday evening May 14, at eight o'clock at the Presbyterian church. Miss Kearney lectured at the Mexico Chamber of Commerce two years ago and delighted her many hearers, and she should be greeted with a large audience on the evening May fourteen. In speaking of Miss Kearney the London (England) Echo says: "Miss Belle Kearney gave the master-stroke of the evening."

REV. A. W. KOKENDOFFER, pastor of the last Sunday as pastor of the Christian Church Sunday evening. Although the weather was bad, large audiences were present at both the morning and evening services to hear the pastor's farewell address. Rev. Mr. Kokendoffer has endeared himself to Mexico people, and all regret that he will shortly take up work in a new field. At the Sunday morning service Mr. and Mrs. Ankrom joined the church by letter, and at the evening service Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Steele, together with Postmaster George Kunkel united with the church.

DR. J. LAWRENCE LAUGHLIN, head Professor of Political Economy, of the University of Chicago, will deliver the annual address before the graduating class at Hardin College Tuesday night May 26. His subject will be "Reminiscences of Some Literary Men." Dr. Laughlin enjoyed a personal acquaintance with Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell, Phillips Brooks and other distinguished literary students. The friends of the college, which means everybody in Mexico, should, if possible, hear this distinguished orator.

HONESTLY, isn't it a shame that a change of less than one hundred feet would give Mexico two paved streets this year. Just think what a splendid improvement this would be. With North Jefferson and Promenade streets paved other streets would fall in line and within a year Mexico would have four or five miles of street paving. We ought to have ten miles before the close of 1909. Mexico is either going to advance or fall back. What side of this movement are you on?

In the death of John Jameson, Fulton loses one of its progressive and public spirited citizens. John Jameson was not only highly respected but much beloved by all who knew him, and was always found on the firing line when it came to any proposition that would tend toward the uplift of the county in which he lived, and was ever ready to give of his time or money to make Fulton a bigger or better city. John Jameson will be missed from the community in which he lived.

The Mexico Ledger again joins the people of Mexico in extending congratulations to the Mexico Fire Company on its prompt and efficient work in the McConley fire. A first-class waterworks system and a good, bustling fire company have frequently saved Mexico from big fires. The work at the McConley fire was particularly noticeable in spite of the fact that the fire got a good start in combustible material; most of the damage to the stock is from water. The damage to the building is very light. Good work.

C. R. Marshall, of Ft. Collins, Colo., in remitting for the Ledger to May 1, 1910, writes as follows: "We have just had a hard freeze which killed all the fruit. No moisture for several months, ground is so hard it cannot be plowed and farmers are a melancholy crew. If we have rain in the next three weeks, however, there will still be time to raise crops."

The citizens and business men of Mexico extend sincere sympathy to W. J. McConley on account of the loss to his stock of dry goods by fire. This is particularly unfortunate, coming at the beginning of the big spring trade, which Mr. McConley was arranging to look after in first-class shape. Mr. McConley is a bustling, energetic

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Centimeter Kid and Silk gloves 12 and 16 buttons. We fit them. Bicketts & Emmos D. G. Co.

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99c Store's Early Spring Clearing Sale

Further reductions in prices will make busy days and quick sales. We find that the one moving power in business is price. Here is our simple story, so plain that a child can understand it and buy as profitably and safely as an adult. Read and make out your list.

SHOE DEPARTMENT
"Star Brand Shoes Are Better."



Men's tan chrome veal "conqueror" work shoe, 3 soles, good year well, 44 seller, the best work shoe made, pair \$3.35.

Men's patent cloth "plunk" welt, mat calf, top blucher, regular \$2.50 seller, for this sale, pair \$1.85.

Ladies patent "satin" oxford, mat top, Cuban heel, "tip" blucher, regular \$2.50 seller, for this sale, pair \$1.85.

Ladies "May Day" oxfords, vict kid, pat. tip, special price, pair \$1.45.

Patent cloth oxfords for the ladies 50c.

Albright's baby shoes, pat. tip, lace, the 66c kind, our price 49c.

Baby's soft sole lace shoe, 1 to 4, pair 25c.

Special: 50 pair men's split horse hide gloves, riveted seams, cork screw back, bought to retail at \$1, clean up price, pair 49c.

12 dozen women's white waltz, \$1.50 sellers (note our left window) for this sale, choice 90c.

35 dozen men's bleached shirtwaist drawers, full seemed to ankle, 50c sellers, for this sale, 40c. Other shirts and drawers for men 25c.

Special: 200 men's check and blue cambric dress shirts \$1.50 sellers, for this sale (note window) choice 90c.

Special Sale on Toilet Articles
Colgate's Toilet Powder 10c.
Colgate's Ointment Soap, cake 5c.
Colgate's Floating Soap, cake 5c.
Colgate's Glycerine Soap, cake 5c.
Lana Oil Toilet Soap, 3 cakes 20c.
Blue Seal Balm, bottle 5c.

Special: 100 hand painted, rose decorated plates, 50c and \$1 sellers, for this sale 25c and 49c.

25 Brunel rug, 30x60, regular \$2.50 seller for this sale, choice \$1.50.

Special value in lace curtains, strong showing, curtains 3 1/2 yard wide, worth \$1.50 pair. Just 50 pairs for this sale, pair 90c. Other lace curtains, pair 50c to \$2.98.

Brass extension curtain rods 5c.

Window shades, dark green the color, now being used, 10c, 25c, 35c, 50c, complete.

Special value in a long hip, low bust, straight front basinet Corset supporters attached, regular \$1.50 Corset, like cut, clearing sale price 90c.

Special value in matting at 14c, 20c and 25c yard.

All our 33c matting reduced for this sale, 24c yard.

Telescope, like cut, 20c, 40c, up to 85c.

Special value trunks \$1.95, up to \$5.50.

Philips slippers, 2 for 25c.

1000 yards, Nos. 30 and 60 ribbon, all colors, yard 10c.

12 dozen made wash rags for this sale, 4c.

Harvey W. Pense saw, like cut, sold the world over at \$1.50, for this sale \$1.19.

10 quart tin flaring gail, for this sale 10c.

14 quart I X cream can, regular 50c seller, for this sale 30c.

Granite coffee pot, like cut, 15c.

Good paint brush, like cut, 15c, 25c, 40c.

Express iron wagon, large size, like cut \$1.35.

Folding Go-Cart automatic collapsible go-cart, reclining back, rubber tires, upholstered in leatherette, sold elsewhere for \$10, our special price to introduce, \$6.45. Other folding go-carts \$1.95, \$2.95.

No. 8 granite tea kettle, worth \$1, like cut, for this sale 30c.

Mrs. Potts' set iron, like cut nickel plated, 3 iron, handle and rest, worth \$1.25, for this sale, set 90c.

Screen doors, good strong values, complete 90c and \$1.49.

Extensive screen windows 45c.

Glazed slip jar, worth 90c, like cut, clearing sale 65c.

8-inch monkey wrench, like cut 25c.

300 pair overalls for men, clean up, pair 45c.

Screen wire, up from, per yard, 10c yard.

Special value in lawn mower, \$2.40; 16-inch cut \$2.95.

50 envelopes 5c.

Extra good house broom 10c.

Men's leather half shoes 10c.

6 big rolls toilet paper 25c.

1000 table tumblers and fruit saucers, to clean up, each 2c.

Good garden hoe 15c.

8 garden 4-tine spading fork 50c.

1000 white metal table spoons, each 2c.

Pink pans, each 2c.

2-quart stone milk pitcher 10c.

10-inch vegetable dish 10c.

10-quart tin dish pan 10c.

Mexican hats for the boys 10c, 15c, 19c.

Wire egg beater 1c.

2-quart tin covered bucket 5c.

80 holder postal card rack 10c.

2-quart granite dipper, with round handle 10c.

F. M. Ragsdale - Mexico, Mo.

CONSCIOUSNESS AFTER HE WAS BURIED, AS SO MANY HAVE IN THE PAST.

Mr. Lupton, asserts that after a study of the subject for years, and careful observation of thousands of dead bodies, he knows of no infallible test of death except decomposition.

"All the other so-called signs fail," he says. "We cannot depend on the mirror test, the blister test or any of the others."

Many inventions designed to give the living warning if a person buried alive awakes have been patented. One of the most ingenious of these is an arrangement whereby a semaphore connected with the coffin is rigged above the grave and if there is the least stir of the body under the ground the semaphore will fall and a bell will ring.

Another man has invented a telephone contrivance so that if the person buried alive recovers consciousness he may telephone to the sexton, who can call for help and hurriedly dig him out.

There are also patent coffins which are designed to be put in a vault and which are so arranged that a man awakening in one of them may loosen the lid and crawl forth.

Delegates to State Convention A mass meeting of the Democrats over Audrain was held Saturday, one in each township, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention May 29. There are ten from this county. The following are the delegates:

Quiver, two, D. H. Atty and C. B. Ellis.

Pratt, one, W. H. Logan.

Linn, one, Ed. Schobe.

Saling, one, Frank Canada.

Wilson, one, Cook Groves.

Salt River, J. J. Wakefield, Col. Green Clay and Thos. Crum.

Resolutions Regarding Rev. A. W. Kokendoffer Be it resolved by the Ministerial Alliance of Mexico, Mo., that we hereby express our regret at the departure of Rev. A. W. Kokendoffer from among us.

In him we lose a faithful fellow-pastor, a thoroughly Christian gentleman, and conscientious citizen. While we sympathize with the Mexico congregation in this loss, we rejoice in the opportunity of the new field, and congratulate the Seminary church on securing his services. We commend our brother to the ministers of Sedalia and Christian people of the community in general.

H. A. Traux, A. A. Walker, C. M. Aker.

Plaid and Striped Linen for Suits. Bicketts & Emmos D. G. Co.

The Ledger covers the field.

Said the Wise Old Owl on

Reubin Dill's Cap.

Mrs. J. H. Watts, of south Mexico, who has been quite ill, is moving better.

Read your dictionary and see the correct meaning of the word "obliterated," or interview Col. Tom Cropper.

Walter Peck claims to be the proud owner of the finest Rex Carter cut in Audrain County. The youngster is a beauty for true.

The painting firm of Cropper & Branstetter is a substantial firm. Tom and Norman are helping make Mexico more beautiful every day.

R. F. (Tode) Gulick and wife are back from Kansas City to stay and will help make Mexico a city. "They all come back."

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Griswell and daughter, Miss Pauline, of Southwest Audrain, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Williams.

Orion Pickett will be a candidate for Representative of Potosi Ward. Owen is always a favorite with the ladies and is always there with the goods.

Is that wet stuff and bad weather to be charged up to Dr. Kanaly, the weather fore, or to the Republican party? As any rate, why do we kick, or why do we pay?

Col. John N. Judd, Col. Lawrence and other Union men were very much of Fulton citizens who joined the Odd Fellows in this city last week. All were prohibitionists and had a great time looking over our beautiful pavements.

Meredith Armistead, the bard of Potosi, has had his hair clipped and now very much resembles Governor W. S. Coward.

Several of the Cottonwood Springs ladies are now wearing Merry Widow hats with aprons to match—all of which are very becoming.

Miss Pryor, who is attending Hardin College and whose home is in Monroe county, was the guest of Miss Mittie Peck Sunday. A big dinner was served, but just as usual, we were not invited to partake of the feast.

Wm. Pratt is home from a business trip to Texas. Mr. Pratt brought us some good reading matter, which will appear in the Owl columns later on.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Morsinkhoff, of this city, were the guests of Henry's parents in Fulton Sunday. A big dinner was served for this handsome young couple and a big time was reeled off throughout the entire day. Fulton does nothing by halves.

"This wet stuff has practically 'wilted' our mint crop. We always did like mint and 'wet goods' like little bit, but too much of either article makes one about half sick."

Mrs. Wm. Heck, of Cameton, Ind., is the guest of her relatives in Mexico, and will make her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Col. and Mrs. Harry Drebbing, West Liberty street.

Col. W. H. Adkins, who lives five miles west of Mexico, tells us he has planted 70 acres of corn and expects to plant 35 acres more. Col. Adkins is a tiller of the soil to a rare degree.

Col. Joe Pratt is building a large warehouse to his First and Last Chance Store. Col. Pratt tells us the red-wood stump he ordered from California has arrived and he wants all state and county candidates to call and take a shot at it—the stump.

Col. John Focht and daughter, Miss Gertrude, recently visited in Columbia.

James Snyder and wife, formerly of Mexico, are now residents of Spokane, Washington. Mrs. Snyder was formerly Miss Nora Branstetter.

Eliza, who never was pretty, She was kindly and gentle and thrifty, She gave poor people pity, And she never made eyes— But then—she was seven and fifty,

Contractor Peter Campbell tells us as soon as the weather permits he will begin the erection of several sky scraping Mexico residences.

Col. J. H. Watts, the contractor and artist, tells us he has just completed a nice residence for a Attorney Shannon, in West Mexico. Col. Watts has large contracts to fill for Central parties.

Artist W. T. Vandegrift is home from Central, where he put a few fancy touches on the interior of the Nickelodeon building, owned by Col. Reuben Daniel, of that city.

Jim Bratton was to have made a "dry" talk in Montgomery City Sunday, but he found everything and everybody "wet." Mr. Bratton says he had a jolly, good time.

Col. William Willingham, Superintendent of the County Farm, tells us that Omer Heffner, died at the County Hospital Monday evening at six o'clock. Mr. Heffner had been a inmate of the hospital for many years.

Miss Nola McCord, of Mexico, was the charming guest of Mrs. H. Breckenridge Hooton, west of this city, several days last week.

Ask Melnhart Sassebeck to tell you about that long distance automobile ride he and the Count took with Paul Weber to Benton City. The ride must have been fast and furious, the way Melnhart tells the funny story about the trip.

Bob Hooton and Logan Bybee, two large berry producers, tell us that Jack Frost hit their growing crops good and hard and that not one-half of this sweet stuff will be harvested this season. Oh, me, oh, my.

Hon. Wm. P. Ruffel, the great editor of the Glasgow, Mo., Missourian, was in Mexico Saturday, the guest of his young friend, Dr. Frank Weiland. Col. Ruffel is always there with the goods and is a favorite with the ladies.

Fred Kemper has returned from Moberly. He reports a most enjoyable time while in the Magic City. Why is it that Fred visits that town so often? Ask the Wise Old Owl and he may be able to tell you about a happy event that will be reeled off in the next month of June.

Col. Isaac W. McCowan is the buyer of stock for his brother, Bob McCowan. He is a splendid broker of stock. Dick Lane is the artistic slicer of steak and liver in Bob's meat shop and always there with good stuff. The Owl thanks Col. Lane for a hand-out.

Col. E. E. Parker, formerly of Vandalia, now of Spokane, Washington,

The Reverend E. W. Honolulu, Hawaii, April

Daniels and Clemens out—

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Meyer, 2d 3 40

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Mexico 1 2 3 4 5 6

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5; double play Wackley 1

passed ball Lankford 1

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1; 0; Burnett 3; sacrifice

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Willingham 0 1; Blase 1

2. Time of game 1:51.

Umpire Siam phie.

Fight Against Vice In

Hawaii is feeling the

great reform movement

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